

Abstract

**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ORIENTATING
A CHARACTER STROKE**

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Disclosed is a method of orientating a space curve having two endpoints. The method comprises selecting a desired direction and then generating a first vector having a direction which is same as the selected desired direction. At least one second vector is then generated, each said second vector having a corresponding direction indicative of a corresponding characteristic of the space curve. The first and second vectors are compared so as to determine a direction of the space curve, wherein the determined direction of the space curve is along the curve from the first endpoint to the second endpoint and which is closest to the selected desired direction. The direction of the space curve is then oriented in accordance with the determined direction.

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